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1. In Odessa, Ukrainian SSR, the local citizens' enthusiasm for the Germans following the 17 June uprisings appeared [] to overcome their normal antipathy. [] heard expressions such as, "Hurrah for Fritz; he's really showing them!", and alleges that they were common among the populace.
2. Pravda and Izvestiya did not appear in Odessa on 18 June. The week following, all publications were late in arriving, but the exact time lag has not been ascertained. The population learned of the uprisings from the radio.
3. The German uprisings caused uneasiness in the USSR since the populace thought that the same thing would happen in the Soviet Union. One woman is known to have asked a fellow resident if she could join the latter's relatives in Novosibirsk (Siberia), since she did not want to be present when the internal Soviet uprisings occurred.

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1. [] the VOA is received regularly by groups of six to eight people in the Urals may bear this out.

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